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Subject:

REBID OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER SERVICES

AGREEMENT

This memorandum is to inform your Board that the Telecommunications Carrier Services Agreement awarded in 2000 to the Pacific Bell Telephone Company (now AT&T) will conclude its final extension on May 3, 2008. In preparation to rebid the current contract, the Internal Services Department (ISD) and Chief Information Office are developing a solicitation document for release to vendors.

The telecommunications business has changed greatly in recent years, therefore ISD and CIO have engaged the Gartner Group to assist in formulating strategy that reflects both technology direction and best business practices. They will review the solicitation document, including the statement of work, before it is finalized and will also facilitate a pre-solicitation vendor briefing in January 2007 to gather feedback from potential vendors. Representatives of several departments will also be reviewing the material to ensure that it reflects the County's business needs.

This solicitation will include traditional carrier services (e.g., traditional voice & data services, long distance, etc.) and Enterprise Network related Management, Maintenance and Services for the County.

A Request For Proposals covering all services will be released in the second quarter of 2007. We expect to conclude the proposal evaluation and contract negotiations by the end of 2007 and bring one or multiple contracts to your Board for approval in early 2008.

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We will keep your Board apprised of progress in this solicitation process. Should you or your staff have questions on this matter please contact either one of us.

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Chief Administrative Officer

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